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PRESS CONFERENCE IN PEKING.

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1. ROMANIAN INVITATION REFERRED TO IN REFTEL HAS
CREATED A FLURRY OF EXCITMENT AMONG AMERICAN JOURNALISTS IN
HONG KONG, WHO VIEW IT AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO COVER BRZEZINSKI
VISIT. SO FAR, HOWEVER, TRIP APPEARS FAR FROM CERTAIN.

2. CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE OFFICIALS HERE DISCLAIM ALL KNOWLEDGE
OF TRIP, AND HAVE REFUSED TO ASSIST JOURNALISTS WITH TRAVEL
ARRANGEMENTS AND VISAS, ALTHOUGH THEY DID AGREE TO ACCEPT
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APPLICATIONS.

3. FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT'S CLUB PRESIDENT WHO ISSUED ORIGIAL
INVITATION TO ROMANIANS, HAS MADE SEVERAL PHONE CALLS
TO ROMANIAN EMBASSY AND MFA OFFICIALS IN PEKING BUT HAD NOT
RECEIVED POSITIVE REPLY AS OF COB MAY 17.

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4. IF THE CHINESE GRANT APPROVAL, THE FOLLOWING JOURNALISTS
PLAN TO MAKE THE TRIP TO PEKING:

1. DAVID DE VOSS, TIME
2. HOLGER JENSEN, NEWSWEEK
3. FRANK CHING, ASIAN WALL STREET JOURNAL
4. LIND MATHEWS, LA TIMES
5. JAY MATHEWS, WASHINGTON
6. FOX BUTTERFIELD, NEW YORK TIMES
7. KIAN VERCHERE, INSIGHT
8. DAVID BONAIVA, FEER
9. ARNOLD ISAACS, BALTIMORE SUN.
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